Senate Bill No. 527

CHAPTER 262

An act to amend Section 33334.4 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to redevelopment.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 527, Alquist. Redevelopment: senior housing.

The Community Redevelopment Law requires not less than 20% of all property tax increment funds that are allocated to a redevelopment agency to be used by the agency for purposes of increasing, improving, and preserving the community's supply of low- and moderate-income housing. These funds are required to be deposited in a separate Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund. This law requires each redevelopment agency to expend, over the duration of its redevelopment implementation plan, the moneys in the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund to assist housing that is available to all persons regardless of age in at least the same proportion as the population under the age of 65 years bears to the total population of the community as reported in the most recent census of the United States Census Bureau.

This bill would specify that the housing assistance be available in at least the same proportion as the number of low-income households with a member under the age of 65 years bears to the total number of low-income households of the community.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 33334.4 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

33334.4. (a) Except as specified in subdivision (d), each agency shall expend over each 10-year period of the implementation plan, as specified in clause (iii) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 33490, the moneys in the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund to assist housing for persons of low income and housing for persons of very low income in at least the same proportion as the total number of housing units needed for each of those income groups bears to the total number of units needed for persons of moderate, low, and very low income within the community, as those needs have been determined for the community pursuant to Section 65584 of the Government Code. In determining compliance with this obligation, the agency may adjust the proportion by subtracting from the need identified for each income

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category, the number of units for persons of that income category that are newly constructed over the duration of the implementation plan with other locally controlled government assistance and without agency assistance and that are required to be affordable to, and occupied by, persons of the income category for at least 55 years for rental housing and 45 years for ownership housing, except that in making an adjustment the agency may not subtract units developed pursuant to a replacement housing obligation under state or federal law.

- (b) Each agency shall expend over the duration of each redevelopment implementation plan, the moneys in the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund to assist housing that is available to all persons regardless of age in at least the same proportion as the number of low-income households with a member under age 65 years bears to the total number of low-income households of the community as reported in the most recent census of the United States Census Bureau.
- (c) An agency that has deposited in the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund over the first five years of the period of an implementation plan an aggregate that is less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) shall have an extra five years to meet the requirements of this section.
- (d) For the purposes of this section, "locally controlled" means government assistance where the community or other local government entity has the discretion and the authority to determine the recipient and the amount of the assistance, whether or not the source of the funds or other assistance is from the state or federal government. Examples of locally controlled government assistance include, but are not limited to, Community Development Block Grant Program (42 U.S.C. Sec. 5301 and following) funds allocated to a city or county, Home Investment Partnership Program (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12721 and following) funds allocated to a city or county, fees or funds received by a city or county pursuant to a city or county authorized program, and the waiver or deferral of city or other charges.